

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An AV communication control circuit, comprising:

a copyright protection processing unit configured to carry out a copyright protection processing with respect to AV data entered from an AV stream signal line;

a selection unit configured to select either one of AV data entered from an AV stream signal line and AV data entered from a general purpose bus; [[and]]

a transmission control unit configured to carry out control for transmitting AV data selected by the selection unit to a network;

an external connection terminal connected with either one of the AV stream signal line and the general purpose bus, for receiving AV data from one of the AV stream signal line and the general purpose bus;

another selection unit configured to select a target to supply AV data received at the external connection terminal to either an AV stream internal signal line connected to the copyright protection processing unit or a general purpose internal bus connected to the selection unit; and

a selection control unit configured to control selecting operations of the selection unit and the another selection unit in synchronization.

Claims 2-4 (Canceled).

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The AV communication control circuit of claim [[4]]  
1, wherein

the copyright protection processing unit carries out the copyright protection processing with respect to AV data supplied through the AV stream internal signal line when the another selection unit selects the AV stream internal signal line, and

the selection unit receives AV data for which the copyright protection processing has been carried out before entering the AV communication control circuit through the general purpose internal bus when the another selection unit selects the general purpose internal bus.

Claim 6 (Original): The AV communication control circuit of claim 1, further comprising:

another copyright protection processing unit configured to carry out the copyright protection processing with respect to AV data entered from the general purpose bus.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An AV communication control circuit, comprising:  
a reception control unit configured to carry out control for receiving AV data through a network;

a selection unit configured to select a target to supply received AV data as either one of an AV stream internal signal line and a general purpose internal bus; [[and]]

a copyright protection processing unit configured to carry out a copyright protection processing with respect to AV data supplied to the AV stream internal signal line when the selection unit selects the AV stream internal signal line;

an external connection terminal connected with either one of the AV stream signal line and the general purpose bus, for outputting AV data from one of the AV stream internal line and the general purpose internal bus;

another selection unit configured to select either one of AV data supplied through the AV stream internal signal line and AV data supplied through the general purpose internal bus and supply selected AV data to the external connection terminal; and  
a selection control unit configured to control selecting operations of the selection unit and the another selection unit in synchronization.

Claims 8-10 (Canceled).

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The AV communication control circuit of claim [[10]] 7, wherein the another selection unit selects either one of AV data supplied through the AV stream internal signal line for which the copyright protection processing is carried out by the copyright protection processing unit and AV data supplied through the general purpose internal bus for which the copyright protection processing is not carried out.

Claim 12 (Original): The AV communication control circuit of claim 7, further comprising:

another copyright protection processing unit configured to carry out the copyright protection processing with respect to AV data supplied through the general purpose internal bus.

Claims 13-14 (Canceled).

Claim 15 (New): An AV communication control circuit, comprising:

a copyright protection processing unit configured to carry out a copyright protection processing with respect to AV data entered from an AV stream signal line;

a selection unit configured to select either one of AV data entered from an AV stream signal line and AV data entered from a general purpose bus;

a transmission control unit configured to carry out control for transmitting AV data selected by the selection unit to a network; and

another copyright protection processing unit configured to carry out the copyright protection processing with respect to AV data entered from the general purpose bus.

Claim 16 (New): An AV communication control circuit, comprising:

a reception control unit configured to carry out control for receiving AV data through a network;

a selection unit configured to select a target to supply received AV data as either one of an AV stream internal signal line and a general purpose internal bus;

a copyright protection processing unit configured to carry out a copyright protection processing with respect to AV data supplied to the AV stream internal signal line when the selection unit selects the AV stream internal signal line; and

another copyright protection processing unit configured to carry out the copyright protection processing with respect to AV data supplied through the general purpose internal bus.